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lited for him. Transported with joy, and with gratitude to his friend, he requested leave of absence for two months, in order to go to Thoulouse, and make him a sharer in his happiness. The day after his arrival at Thoulouse, the brother of Clementina told him in confidence, that his sister had entirely determined on marrying Versillac, and that she declared it continually. On hearing this, Duval thought it his duty to act unknown to his friend. A man who had just borne off the first prize, adjudged by the first academy in the kingdom, could not but be favourably heard. Clementina had conceived the highest esteem for him, she received him in her music room, and there Duval began by exacting a promise of inviolable secrecy with respect to what he was going to say, adding, that he was particularly anxious, Sainclair should never know the avowal he was going to make.

This commencement surprized and agitated Clementina, she imagined Duval was proceeding to make a declaration of love, and calculating with rapidity, that celebrity acquired at Paris, is infinitely more glorious than the most brilliant provincial reputation, she already meditated confusedly a rupture with Versillac; when Duval declared without hesitation, that Sainclair was the true author of the discourse which had been crowned at Paris. "Now," continued he, "would you prefer a pedant without genius, to a modest, generous man, who possesses such talent?" At these words, Clementina remaining silent, seemed to reflect, then speaking in her turn, "Yes," said she, with a sigh, "I am not at all surprized, that Sainclair could conquer his sloth for friendship, he would not do so much for glory!"

"Have you not been charmed with the discourse though?" Oh! certainly; but no one will ever know who is the author of it."

These words discovered a depth of vanity that disgusted Duval, he got up, and taking an unceremonious leave of Clementina, he disappeared.

To be Continued.

To the Proprietors of the Belfast Magazine.

GENTLEMEN,

IT has fallen in my way to remark the gross errors and confusion of Goldsmith's history of Greece, which however is the only book of the kind, adapted for boys; and I have it in view to compile a history for the use of schools, that should avoid the errors, &c. observable in the above. Before I would go far in such a work, which to me would be laborious, I would be glad you would make public the intention, that we might try to learn how such a thing would be received. Any information, you could gain on the subject would be gladly applied for, by your friend and servant. X.Y.

To the Proprietors of the Belfast Magazine.

GENTLEMEN,

IN my observations on the nature of soils, &c. published in your September Magazine, there are some errors which I imagine must be in the press, as I think they are not in the manuscripts. I should not have troubled you *on this occasion*, only there is one in particular (which ought to be corrected in your errata) in page 180, column 1st. the 14th line from the top, for "eight" read *three*, and also the word "of" ought to be expunged in the 21st line of said column. There are other errors of minor importance particularly a misplaced stop at "silicious"; in the 7th line of said column, and the word "to" in the 2d column of said page, line 27th from the top ought to be *too*, but almost every person knows these last are typical errors. In the 44th line of the last mentioned column the word "trenches" has been substituted for the word French which is in the manuscript. French Sewers is the name universally adopted for closed sewers in this country, whether from their being first introduced from France into these kingdoms or not I cannot tell. Your's truly, J.D.

CHARTER OF BELFAST.

MAN on becoming a member of society was obliged to give up a